

FINANCE COMMITTEE
MINUTES
SEPTEMBER 19, 2017

ATTENDANCE:

Ron Simpson- Chairman
Paul Jackstadt
Ed Hagnauer
Don Thompson
Bob Pickerell
Walmer Schmidtke

Tim Elliott
Gerald Williams
Judy Whitaker
Bill Davis
Brian Konzen

Ron Simpson called the Finance Committee meeting to order.

Alderman Simpson began discussion regarding the Police and Fire Pension Bonds. Scott Oney addressed the Committee regarding the various types of bonds and terms. He stated that the Police Pension is funded at 70% and the Fire Pension at 60%, but both need to be at 90%.

Oney said that the City is proceeding with a \$40,000,000.00 bond issue to fund the local pension funds. He stated that with a 20 year bond, taxes on an \$80,000 home, the rise would be \$170 in property taxes.

The Committee discussed the Pension Funds and the bond issue. Scott Oney stated that the pension is the only true debt the city has. This bond would be levied for 20 years. It will be a separate line item on the tax payers property tax bill. Since this is general obligation, if something would dramatically happen and the city would receive a windfall in the General Fund, such as the State, the city could always pay the bonds off early.

Oney stated at the next meeting we will bring something in to proceed with the \$40,000,000 Bond. Should be middle of October when they will be ready to go. If for some reason the amount needs to be changed, that can be done at anytime up until that point. At that time a bond ordinance will need approved and the Tax Levi will be brought in on November 30, 2017.

MOTION By Simpson, second by Elliott to adjourn.

ATTEST

Judy Whitaker
City Clerk